



Response Under 37 CFR § 1.116
Expedited Procedure - Group 2624

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

AKIHIKO NODA

Application No.: 09/579,503

Filed: May 30, 2000

For: PRINTING METHOD
HAVING AUTO RETREAT
FUNCTION OF PRINT
DATA AND MEDIUM FOR
STORING PROGRAM FOR
EXECUTING THE
PRINTING METHOD

Examiner: S. Brinich

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 23, 2004, please amend the
above-identified application as follows: